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APPARATUS  
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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR  
ELECTION OF SPECIES**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action which issued in the above-identified application on April 11, 2007, requiring an election of species. The Office Action also required information that the Examiner determined "is reasonably necessary to the examination of this application."

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES**

The examiner identified the following species, among which election was required:

Species I, characterized by the Examiner as editing apparatus using plural semiconductor memory insertion units and on which claims 1-7 read;

Species II, characterized by the Examiner as editing apparatus using a rotational operation means and on which claims 8-10 read; and

Species III, characterized by the Examiner as image display apparatus and on which claims 11-13 read.

Applicants elect, without traverse, Species I claims 1-7 for further prosecution in this application.

Applicants reserve their right to file divisional applications, if necessary, to proceed with the examination of the non-elected claims.

**RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

In response to the Request for Information, Applicants' representative replies as follows:

(a) Applications corresponding to the instant U.S. application were filed abroad and searches were conducted by foreign patent offices, namely, the European Patent Office and the Japanese Receiving Office of the International Bureau in connection with the filing of a corresponding PCT application.

(b) The references cited at page 2 of the present application are believed to be relevant to the present application, as described at page 2. If copies of such references have not been submitted heretofore, they are submitted with this response.

(c) Copies of those references cited in the EPO and PCT search reports were submitted previously, nevertheless, copies of such references are enclosed, together with computer-generated English translations of those references that are in the Japanese language.

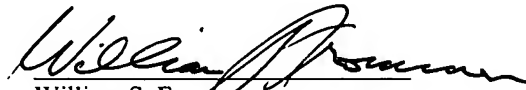
(d) On information and belief, no rejection based upon prior art has been made in corresponding foreign applications.

The notice of allowance of the claims of this application is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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